

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 148

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES CRAWFORD AND REINHART (Co-sponsors).

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TED WEDEL, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 568, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to selling a child, with a penalty provision.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 568, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 568.176, to read as follows:

**568.176. 1. Any person who sells or attempts to sell any person less than eighteen
2 years of age to another or receives money or anything of value in consideration of placing
3 any person less than eighteen years of age in the custody or under the power or control of
4 another, or who buys or attempts to buy any person less than eighteen years of age, or pays
5 money or delivers anything of value to another in consideration of having any person less
6 than eighteen years of age placed in his or her custody or under his or her power or control
7 is guilty of a class B felony.**

**8 2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to legitimate adoptions or to
9 legitimate actions by department of corrections officials or county jailers.**